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FOLLOWING MSG RECEIVED FROM AMEMBASSY BERLIN 08 JUL 77

QUOTE USBERLIN 1827

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TAGS: CDES (PILON, JOSEPH EUGENE)

SUBJECT: DEATH JOSEPH EUGEN PILON

REF: USBERLIN 1826

FOR:

1. IT IS WITH PROFOUND REGRET THAT I MUST INFORM YOU OF
THE DEATH OF JOSEPH EUGENE PILON. THE U.S. ARMY HOSPITAL
AT BERLIN INFORMED THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL ON JULY
8, 1977, THAT MR. PILON DIED AT THEIR HOSPITAL AT 0335 A.M.
ON JULY 8, 1977.

2. MR. PILON HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY U.S. ARMY HOSPITAL.

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3. AUTOPSY HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY U.S. ARMY HOSPITAL.
AUTOPSY WILL BE PERFORMED AT U.S. ARMY HOSPITAL FRANKFURT.

4. THE U.S. MISSION WILL TAKE CHARGE OF HIS PERSONAL EFFECTS
AND WILL WRITE YOU CONCERNING THEIR DISPOSITION.

5. REGRETFULLY, I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEED TO

MAKE URGENT ARRANGEMENTS. LOCAL LAW REQUIRES LOCAL BURIAL OR THAT PROMPT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR SHIPMENT. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WISH TO HAVE MR. PILON'S REMAINS RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES. IF SO, PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO NEW YORK WOULD COST \$2,560.--(TO SAN FRANCISCO \$2,900., TO CHICAGO \$2,700.-). THE COST OF CREMATION AND LOCAL BURIAL IS \$800.00 TO \$1,100.00. ALL OF THESE COSTS ARE APPROXIMATE.

6. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION, PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

(A) TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY AND DIRECTLY TO AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL, FRANKFURT, GERMANY AND INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE DECEASED IN YOUR MESSAGE. STATE WHETHER REQUIRED FUNDS ARE BEING TELEGRAPHED AND BY WHAT MEANS. INCLUDE NAME AND ADDRESS OF U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT IF SHIPMENT DESIRED.

(B) TELEGRAPH REQUIRED FUNDS SEPARATELY AND PROMPTLY THROUGH AMERICAN EXPRESS FRANKFURT VIA AMERICAN EXPRESS NEW YORK PAYABLE TO AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL FRANKFURT.

(C) IF YOU ARE HAVING THE REMAINS SHIPPED TO THE U.S., YOU MAY WISH TO HAVE THE U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

7. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. WE ESTIMATE APPROXIMATELY 8 DAYS (IF CREMATED 30-60 DAYS) WILL
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BE REQUIRED FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF FUNDS TO CARRY OUT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS IF REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED. UPON COMPLETION OF ALL FORMALITIES A FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED BY THIS OFFICE WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU.

8. IF NECESSARY, YOU MAY CONTACT THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THIS POST BY PHONING 812-74-65 IN BERLIN OF UR-00-72 EXT. 229 IN FRANKFURT.

9. BE ASSURED OF MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.
AMCONSUL
BERLIN, GERMANY

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